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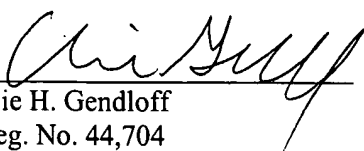
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LETTER

The sequence listing submitted simultaneously with the filing of the above-identified application provides a computer readable form copy of the sequence listing and a paper copy of the sequence listing. The undersigned attorney hereby states that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and include no new matter as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) and 1.821(g).

Should any questions arise, or if applicants or applicants' attorney can facilitate examination of this application, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted so that any remaining issues can be resolved.

Respectfully submitted,


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